# CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES January 3, 2012

The Business Meeting of the Monroe City Council was held on January 3, 2012, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Robert G. Zimmerman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Zimmerman explained the agenda change that would allow the meeting to start after the new Councilmembers were given the Oath of Office.

Staff present: Brazel, Feilberg, Warthan, Quenzer, Willis, Sax, and Martinson.

City Attorney Zach Lell was also present.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS**

## Oaths of Office - New Council members

Judge Trish Lyon, District Court Judge in Snohomish County, conducted the Swearing In ceremony for new Councilmembers, Kevin Hanford; Jason Gamble; Ed Davis; and Jim Kamp. Each new Councilmember introduced their families and friends in attendance.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken, with the following Councilpersons present: Goering, Cudaback, Williams, Kamp, Davis, Gamble, and Hanford.

## **COUNCILMEMBER TRAINING**

Mayor Zimmerman introduced Lisa Roberts from WCIA, who provided information and training for Elected Officials. She explained the risks and the profile for Monroe, which is doing well.

She gave a summary of WCIA's services and how they help cities and defend them against claims. They provide free legal services and training on risk management. She gave examples of problems that were created by various Councilmembers' actions that caused issues for their respective cities.

She explained that WCIA provides coverage as far as they can, if councilmembers are operating in good faith. However, if a Councilperson steps too far out, they are not covered for some issues that are outside their scope of responsibilities.

## **COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS**

Patricia Lautenslager, Monroe, is against the proposal for a wakeboard park at Lake Tye.

Crystal Shaver, 17313 100<sup>th</sup> Street SE, Snohomish, questioned some of the numbers and statements made by H3O.

Steven Warner, is a frequent kayaker at Lake Tye, and wouldn't want towers and cables at the park.

Dianne Elliott, stated that the City should not be part of the wakeboard park.

Paula lives in the Fryelands, and wants more careful consideration by Council regarding the wakeboard park.

Darrel; 1219 5<sup>th</sup> Place Kirkland, represents the Lake Tye building businesses. There is a mixed feeling with tenants, but landlords are concerned. They are afraid of detracting from business and losing tenants.

Karen, stated that she enjoys the lake, herons, and swans and hopes they don't move forward with wakeboard park.

Angela Curtis, loves Lake Tye; and her son, who has autism, loves the lake and needs the quiet. She would like the lake to remain the same.

Jennifer Anton, is against the wakeboard park.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

The motion was made by Councilperson Goering and seconded by Councilperson Williams, to approve the Consent Agenda. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

Items approved: 2) Bills (Checks #81406 – 81501) in the amount of \$220,665.08.

#### FINAL ACTION

# H30 Cable Park Proposal (Resolution)

Economic Development Manager Sax explained that the resolution was presented on 12/20/11, and that this is the sixth meeting on this topic. He explained the purpose of the resolution and that it is a non-binding intent; an interim step. They have determined that there are still a few issues to resolve, including indemnification. The resolution is the next step forward and will allow H3O to feel free to commit money. He gave further details about the proposed lease and asked Council to approve the resolution.

After discussion, it was determined that Council would enter into Executive Session for approximately 30 minutes, purposes of discussing pricing for which property would be for sale or lease, as read into the record by City Attorney Lell

MEETING RECESSED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION: 8:43 p.m. MEETING RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION: 9:16 p.m.

After discussion, the motion was made by Councilperson Goering and seconded by Councilperson Kamp, to adopt resolution declaring the City Council's intent to enter into a lease agreement with H30, for the development and operation of a cable wakeboard recreational facility at Lake Tye Park; authorizing the Mayor or his designee to

reasonably assist and cooperate with H<sub>3</sub>0, LLC to submit any applications for permits and other regulatory authority approvals necessary to effectuate said lease; expressly reserving the City's regulatory authority; and establishing an immediate effective date, as read into the record by City Attorney Lell..

After Council comment, the motion was on the floor to adopt the resolution. On vote,

Motion carried 4/3.

Councilpersons Cudaback, Davis, and Gamble were opposed.

Mayor Zimmerman explained that City Administrator Brazel stepped out and won't be returning.

# Ordinance Adopting Term Limits/ 2<sup>nd</sup> & Final Reading

Mayor Zimmerman read the coversheet into the record giving the history of this item.

The motion was made by Councilperson Goering and seconded by Councilperson Hanford, to approve as second and final reading an ordinance of the City of Monroe, Washington, amending Title 2 MMC Administration and Personnel by enacting a new Chapter 2.26 Term Limits for Elected Officials thereto; establishing limitation on the term of office for the positions of Council Member and Mayor; providing for severability; and fixing a time when the same shall become effective. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

#### **Denali Contract**

Information Technology Manager, Bremner explained that, on April 26, 2011, they entered into a contract with Denali for on-site desktop support. She would like to continue with them through January and on monthly basis afterwards.

After discussion, the motion was made by Councilperson Gamble and seconded by Councilperson Kamp, to authorize the Mayor to sign the Change Order Request Form for On-Site Desktop Support. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

## **Printer/Copy Machines Contract**

Information Technology Manager, Bremner explained that the City entered into a lease agreement in 2007 for a color printer in City Hall. The lease expires this year. It was suggested that the printer be replaced immediately for a savings of \$282.09 per month.

After discussion, the motion was made by Councilperson Cudaback and seconded by Councilperson Kamp to authorize Mayor to sign the Image Management Product Schedule under the State and Local Government Master Agreement with IKON. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

## MAYOR/COUNCIL/ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF REPORTS

Mayor Zimmerman explained that Snohomish County Cities (SCC) organization wanted to know of anyone interested in running for any of the SCC committees. He wanted to

draw their attention to it and the other committees listed for 1/17/12, for Council's consideration.

Chief Quenzer explained that the Police officer's covered badges were in honor of the slaying of Washington State Park ranger Margaret Smith.

Mayor Zimmerman reported that, on January 29, 2012, there would be a 5K run at 9:00 a.m., in honor of Corrections Officer Jayme Biendl. All proceeds will go to "Behind the Badge" to support families of fallen officers.

# Draft Agenda/January 10, 2012 Study Session

Mayor Zimmerman presented the draft agenda for January 10, 2012.

Economic and Development Manager Sax added Purchase and Sale Agreement from NexCore to the agenda.

Finance Director Nelson added a discussion about the City's reserve policy.

Councilperson Goering asked that Council meet with Ethics board regarding the Ethics loophole for confidential discussions in Executive session.

Mayor Zimmerman wants 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter meetings with Planning Commission, Parks Board, and Ethics Board.

Mayor Zimmerman also asked Council to be certain they review staff reports.

City Attorney Lell stated that there was a need for a brief executive session of five minutes pertaining to pending litigation. No action was expected when they reconvene.

MEETING RECESSED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

9:42 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS EXTENDED** 

MEETING RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION:

9:53 p.m.

There being no further business, the motion was made by Councilperson Hanford and seconded by Councilperson Kamp, to adjourn the meeting. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:54 p.m.

Robert G. Zimmerman, Mayor

Eadye Martinson, Deputy City Clerk